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TIN-ZINC ALLOYS

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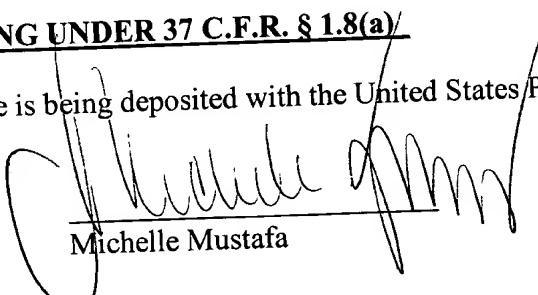
In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, it is requested that the following references, which are also listed on the attached Form PTO-1449, be made of record in the above-identified case.

1. European Patent Publication No. 0 663 460 A1, published July 19, 1995;
2. United States Patent No. 4,184,928, published January 22, 1980;
3. United States Patent No. 4,168,223, published September 18, 1979;
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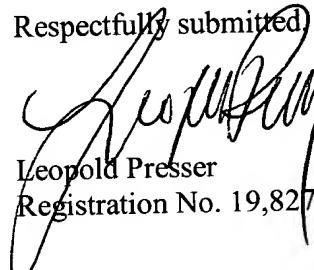
  
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5. Japanese Patent Abstract Publication No. 10168592, published June 23, 1998;  
and
6. United States Patent No. 5,378,346, published January 3, 1995.

The references were cited in a Search Report received from the European Patent Office, dated March 1, 2001. Applicants are submitting copies of the above-cited references, together with a copy of the Search Report. The relevance of the above-identified references has been described in the Search Report. A translation of the EPO Examiner's Search Report is also enclosed. Also, please note that the following two references are also cited in the specification of the instant application: 1) EP 0 663 460 A1 and 2) United States Patent No. 5,378,346.

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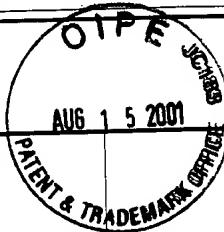
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